



**CENTRAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**6300 Trinity Drive, Pine Bluff, Arkansas**  
**Sunday, April 30, 2023**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUALS OF FRIENDSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

**Organ/Piano Young Ju Oh**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on John 10:1-10)**

George: Our Good Shepherd calls.

**All : He knows us each by our name.**

George: Our Good Shepherd leads.

**All : We are here to listen and to follow.**

George: Our Good Shepherd protects and provides.

**All : We give thanks and praise for our Good Shepherd.**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 81 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken**

**1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; He whose word cannot be broken Formed thee for His own abode; On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.**

**2 Round each habitation hovering, See the cloud and fire appear! For a glory and a covering Showing that the Lord is near: Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day; Safe they feed upon the manna Which He gives them when they pray.**

**3 See! the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal love; Well supply thy sons and daughters, And all fear of want remove: Who can faint while such a river Ever flows their thirst to assuage? Grace so like the Lord, the giver, Never fails from age to age.**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess all that distracts and distorts God's truth, so we can know grace and forgiveness through Christ.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Savior God, you beckon us, but we do not heed your call. You gather us, but we wander away losing ourselves in false and superficial comforts. You speak truth, but we fail to hear and respond. Good Shepherd, do not give up on us. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. (Silent Prayer) Amen.**

## **KYRIE ELEISON: "Lord, Have Mercy"**

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Even when we walk through the darkest valley, God is with us. God does not abandon us. Know that you are forgiven and receive Christ's peace. Alleluia. Amen.

## **\*GLORIA PATRI**

**"Glory be to the Father"**

**Hymnal #581**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**ANTHEM  
Choir**

**Lift Every Voice and Sing**

**Central**

**Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea.**

**Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the  
hope that the present has brought us: facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us  
march on till victory is won.**

**Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died; yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet come to the place for which our fathers sighed? We have come over a way that with tears has been watered; we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered, out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.**

**God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.**

**CHILDRENS SERMON**

**Rose VonTungeln**

**SCRIPTURE**

**John 14:1–14 (ESV)**

**14 “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. 4 And you know the way to where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” 6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”**

**8 Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” 9 Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.**

12 “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

13 Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

*Troubled Hearts*

Rev. Elton Lewis

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN

#735 I Need Thee Every Hour

1 I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford.

(Chorus)

I need Thee, O I need Thee; Every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior,  
I come to Thee.

2 I need Thee every hour, Stay Thou nearby; Temptations lose their power  
When  
Thou art nigh.

3 I need Thee every hour, Teach me Thy will; And Thy rich promises In me fulfill.

4 I need Thee every hour, Most Holy One; O make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed  
Son.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostle's Creed)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,**

**and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" Hymnal #606**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**(You each are encouraged to give voice to your concerns or to name those for whom you love and pray.)**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*CLOSING HYMN HYMN # 310 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord**

**1 I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode, the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.**

**2. I love thy church, O God. Her walls before thee stand, dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.**

**3. For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers ascend; to her my cares and toils be given till toils and cares shall end.**

**4. Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways, her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.**

**5. Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.**

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*\*POSTLUDE**

**EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES**

*Go forth into the world rejoicing. Love and serve the Lord.*

***\*Those who are able, please stand.***

***\*\* Please be seated and remain for the postlude if you can.***

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

*Mosley Family  
Jemmie Moseley  
Karen Perdue*

*Emil & Carol Brown  
Hester Insley  
Munn Family*

**FRIENDS AND RELATIVES**

<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	
<i>Allie Cooper &amp; Carol Taylor</i>	<i>Friends of Denise Mosley</i>	<i>Rebecca &amp; Earl Phillips</i>	<i>Friends of Karen Perdue</i>
<i>Max Zeng</i>	<i>Mike and Lan Kelly's son</i>	<i>Dr. Laura Festa</i>	<i>Wife of Dr. Dan Festa</i>
<i>Luis Sanchez</i>	<i>Father of Lizabeth Sanchez</i>	<i>Haley Chandler</i>	<i>Friend of the Church</i>
<i>Bernice Collins</i>	<i>Friend of the Church</i>	<i>Pat Mosley</i>	<i>Mother of George Mosley</i>
<i>Jason McGriff</i>	<i>Friend of Jessica Munn</i>	<i>Harry Moore</i>	<i>Brother of Nina Reeves</i>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS:**

*PC(USA) Seminaries*

*Vaughn, Bentonville*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN**

**AROUND THE WORLD**

**Help us keep our prayer list up to date. If you have family or friends who need to be added or removed from the prayer concerns list, please let the Office know.**

Welcome to Central Presbyterian Church, where we come together to celebrate God's love, nurture growth, share our faith and serve the needs of others. This congregation opens wide its doors and hearts and welcomes all in the name of Jesus Christ.

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### Session

#### Class of 2023

Laura Cosner

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Zac Cosner

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#### Standing Committee Moderators:

George Mosley - Building & Ground

Zac Cosner - Budget & Finance

Suzy VonTungeln - Fellowship & Education

Denise Mosley - Missions & Outreach

Laura Cosner - Worship & Music

## *Announcements*

Pastor Jai is participating in the CREDO pastor's conference, which is being hosted by the Board of Pension, an agency of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Let's give a warm welcome to Rev. Elton Lewis, who made a special effort to join our congregation today. We truly appreciate the inspiring message he shares with us.

Don't let  
your  
hearts  
be troubled

- John. 14:1 -